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## Minutes, Feb. 2010

VISION 2020 ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP SPY POND COMMITTEE  
 FEBRUARY 16, 2010 MEETING Town Hall Annex, First Floor

In attendance: Brad Barber, Bill Eykamp, Jane Howard, Elizabeth Karpati, Bob & Harriet Noyes, Steve Ricci, Stroker Rogovin.  
 Facilitator: Steve Ricci Minutes: Elizabeth Karpati

Next meetings: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, March 9, April 6, May 4, June 8.  
 Town Hall Annex, First Floor Conference Room.

- Phragmites: DPW may try to collect the dead stalks Feb. 25. Jane to confirm the date. Some stalks have already been knocked down by abutters.
- Next summer's phragmites treatment for Spy Pond is covered by the three-year contract that Gerry Smith of ACT has with the Town. The 2009 treatment cost \$3100. Donations were \$9100; we have about \$5000 left.
- Other needs: The Res has water chestnuts and maybe more; Hills Pond also has weed problems. Mill Brook: Teresa DeBenedictis wants the situation of the brook explored before trying for any grants for a linear park.
- Waterbodies fund has about \$41,000; we will ask the Fin Com for \$15,000 again.
- Weed alert flyer: Dick Terry is working on the final draft, will bring it to the March 9 meeting for distribution if arrangements with the Workplace students cannot be made. The spring Neighborhood Newsletter has already been distributed.
- The March 21 workshop with Frances Clark will be held in the Robbins Library Community Room, which is open 2 - 5 p.m. Invitations should go to all donors and all abutters - to be mailed at the March 9 meeting. Other publicity: Announce in Arlington Advocate twice (deadline 3/1, 3/8); on Arlington List (Jacob); email to Kelwyn Manor Association and Friends of Spy Pond Park lists (Brad writes, Elizabeth sends).
- Trails Day, May 8: Stroker has already sent a memo, will re-send it since not everyone got it. More publicity via Kelwyn Manor Association list (or newsletter if any). Steve will check whether MassHighway can supply any material for plantings and whether a high school student could take photos.
- Another coming event is the Eco Fest on May 2, 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Town Hall - an opportunity for the Spy Pond Committee to have an exhibit.
- Jane gave Steve the first partial sign-up list of people interested in the Spy Pond Committee from the census survey responses. He'll contact them.

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